



Kansas Mentors Connection

Noteworthy Grant & Training Opportunities – February 2010

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MENTOR TO HOST ELEMENTS OF EFFECTIVE PRACTICE WEBINARS

In conjunction with MENTOR's newly revised Elements of Effective Practice for Mentoring, third edition, MENTOR will be hosting a series of webinars. The first provides an overview of the third edition, highlighting the research and studies that underpin the benchmarks and suggested enhancements. Several nationally recognized researchers from the field will be present. The webinar will be offered twice:

Monday, March 8, 2010 from 1:00 – 2:30 PM, EST

Register at: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/528816232>

Wednesday, March 10, 2010 from 1:00 – 2:30 PM, EST

Register at: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/865631169>

This online series is sponsored through a grant from the MetLife Foundation. Additional webinars will be featured throughout 2010. For more information visit: <http://tinyurl.com/yqqpjhd>

SUNFLOWER FOUNDATION GRANTS AVAILABLE

Bridge Grants (RFP 10-102) – Funding to provide transitional financial support for new or expanded services for medical, behavioral or dental care.

Capacity Building Grants (RFP 10-103) – Funding to develop or strengthen an organization's effectiveness, efficiency, quality, safety, impact and sustainability.

Sunflower Trails Grants (RFP 10-104) – Funding to help increase physical activity by building community-based and school-based walking and multi-use trails.

Proposals for all three RFPs may be submitted now through October 28, 2010. Funding decisions and announcement will be based on timelines detailed on their website. http://www.sunflowerfoundation.org/applying_for_a_grant-open_rfps.php

PEPSI REFRESH PROJECT: MILLIONS TO BE GIVEN AWAY

During 2010, Pepsi will be giving away millions in grants to fund great ideas. The company is looking for people, businesses, and non-profits with ideas can make a positive impact in their communities. Each month, up to \$1.3 million will be awarded as follows: 2 grants at the \$250,000 level; 10 grants at the \$50,000 level; 10 grants at the \$25,000 level; and 10 grants at the \$5,000 level. Winning proposals are chosen by voters visiting the Pepsi Refresh website. Learn more at: <http://www.refresheverything.com/how-it-works>

GRANTS, CONTESTS & AWARDS TO RECOGNIZE YOUTH

What Kids Can Do (WKCD) is a national nonprofit committed to promoting young people as valued resources, not problems, and advocating for learning that engages students as knowledge creators and not simply test takers. As part of their efforts they have devoted a portion of their website to continually promote opportunities to recognize youth across the nation – there are some wonderful grant and scholarship announcements! Check out their website for more information at: http://www.whatkidscando.org/Shout_Outs/index.html

100 BEST COMMUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AWARD

America's Promise Alliance and ING have teamed up to identify the 100 Best Communities for Young People. This unique award recognizes and celebrates extraordinary community-wide efforts to improve the well-being of youth and to end the nation's dropout crisis. Applications will be available on their website beginning Monday, March 1 and due on Tuesday, June 1. <http://www.americaspromise.org/100best>

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